

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 1-4, 8-9, 12 and 16-19 are currently being amended. The amendments to the claims are to improve their readability.

This amendment changes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-19 are now pending in this application.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claims 1-19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite. Specifically, the Office Action stated on pages 2-3:

With respect to claims 1, 12, and 16-19, the limitation “a class information storing unit to store the class information indicating whether a terminal a mail address is in accordance with corresponding to the Internet facsimile system or not in with this mail address; and association” is unclear to the Examiner. It is unclear how the terminal could correspond to the mail address but not be in association with the mail address.

Claims 1, 12 and 16-19 have all been amended to clarify that the terminal is provided in association with the mail address, or that the mail address is of the terminal. Accordingly, applicant submits that the claims, as amended, are definite under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and respectfully request that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph be withdrawn.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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